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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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**RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS**

The Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers of April 5, 2001, the Applicants hereby submit the following documents:

- Part 2 of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers;
  - Nine (9) sheets of formal drawings;
  - Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
  - Information Disclosure Citation, PTO Form-1449 with four citations;
  - Photocopies of the four cited references;
  - Certificate of Express Mailing under 37 C.F.R. 1.10,
  - Express Mail Label No. EL357889729US; and,
  - Acknowledgment postcard.

~~Respectfully submitted,~~

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